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Amendments to the claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of claims:

Claims 1-16 (cancelled)

Claim 17 (currently amended) A method for evaluating the ability of an agent to inhibit tumor cell spreading which comprises:

- (a) admixing with cell culture media an effective amount of an agent known to inhibit the interaction between a tumor cell and an extracellular matrix molecule, wherein the agent is selected from the group consisting of a peptide, a peptidomimetic, a nucleic acid, a synthetic organic molecule, an inorganic molecule, a carbohydrate, a lipid, and a fragment of an antibody;
- (b) contacting a tumor cell in cell culture with media from step (a);
- (c) determining the amount of spreading of the tumor cell in the cell culture; and
- (d) comparing the amount of spreading of the tumor cell determined in step (c) with the amount determined

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in the absence of the agent, thus evaluating the ability of the agent to inhibit tumor cell spreading.

Claim 18 (cancelled)

Claim 19 (original) The method of claim 17, wherein the tumor cell is a cell of a subject.

Claim 20 (original) The method of claim 19, wherein the subject is a human, a mouse, a rat, a dog or a non-human primate.

Claims 21-33 (cancelled)

Claim 34 (Previously presented) The method of claim 17, wherein the extracellular matrix molecule is a laminin, a fibronectin, an amphoterin, a cadherin, an integrin or a hyaluronic acid.

Claim 35 (original) The method of claim 34, wherein the integrin is an $\alpha V\beta V$ integrin, an $\alpha V\beta III$ integrin, or an $\alpha I\beta II$ integrin.

Claims 36-39 (cancelled)